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A GREAT PHILANTHROPIST

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

The fact is, continued Nugent, speaking deliberately and with a confidential air—I have known Miss Madison for years. We were on the verge of an engagement, when a misunderstanding took place between us—a mere lover's quarrel, which however served to estrange us—and her strange pride drove her to hide herself from me, even when, as I hear now, she was in dire poverty. My poor darling, he exclaimed as it with unbearable remorse—to think that her independent spirit should have driven her to a stranger rather than to me! Anyhow, she applied to you, as you know, and then by a strange chance came down here to be Mrs. Standard's companion, and we met again. When I came face to face with her in my own grounds, whither she had strayed when walking, the suddenness of the meeting broke down the barrier between us, and she confessed in my arms—Nugent's hawklike eyes gleamed with triumph as he saw Godfrey wince—that she had wronged me and that she loved me as well as ever. I thought our troubles were at an end—with a sigh—but unfortunately Custance's sensitiveness again bars our happiness. This debt she owes you—fifty pounds, is it?—this information he had obtained from Mrs. Standard during an afternoon call—she is determined to refund before she will marry me. Of course I would willingly pay you the money three times over, Standard, but her delicacy and honor forbid that.

Godfrey was leaning forward, with his head on his hand. Only the deep lines across his forehead and the dejected droop of his head told of his terrible disappointment; but his brave eyes were as kindly as ever when he looked up.

I did not understand how heavily this obligation pressed on Miss Madison, he replied, or what a mistaken view she took of it. I did know how anxious she was to discharge it. I see that I have misunderstood her throughout. I will do all in my power to smooth your way, Nugent; at all events, I will cancel the debt at once and leave her free to follow her inclination.

My dear fellow—and Nugent shrugged his shoulders—I am afraid that she will never allow you to do so.

Oh, I shall not tell her why! Miss Madison has not chosen to give me her confidence, and I certainly shall not appear to be in possession of her secrets. She can tell me afterwards, if she chooses; but I shall find a way to satisfy her that she owes me nothing.

It is awfully good of you, Nugent asserted warmly. You don't know how perplexed I was. Thanks awfully, old fellow! Shake hands and congratulate me, won't you?

I do congratulate you—most heartily! I think you will have a most sweet wife! Godfrey held out his hand to the other and endeavored to stifle his own bitter pain. Now suppose we go into the drawing-room, he suggested.

CHAPTER VI

The night that Custance had thought would be too full of happy thoughts for sleep was certainly spent in wakefulness, but from a different cause. A sudden shadow had fallen over her hopes and happiness alike, and it was worse because she could give no reason for its presence. Godfrey Standard's manner had not changed—at least it had not lost any of its usual kindness towards her—and yet with blank dismay she realized that the love of which she had felt so sure was not at all apparent. There was nothing to tell that it had ever existed, and she felt a sense of humiliation as she realised that she had been deceiving herself.

Because one man—and that a bad one—wanted me, I must needs think every other I meet is in love with me, she thought bitterly. After all, why should I—a poor penniless outcast, whom he rescued from absolute starvation, with no qualifications for the wife he wants—attract Godfrey Standard? No doubt he feels an interest in me; he is generous and large-hearted towards any one he befriends. But, for the rest—I am simply ridiculously conceited. I am pretty, but no doubt he has seen hundreds of beautiful women, and mere flesh and blood would not attract him as they would a man of Thorn Nugent's stamp.

She tossed restlessly to and fro, and the morning sun found her white and worn for lack of sleep. Although she could not know it, Godfrey had not had a more enviable night. He had played a difficult part that evening, and when Nugent left he had felt intensely tired. From the moment when he and his guest had entered the drawing-room, Mr. Standard had assumed the new *role* which he had set himself. He had sat down by his mother instead of going to the piano where Custance was sitting, and had watched Nugent take his place and bend down to speak to her.

But he had schooled his voice, and, instead of avoiding speaking to them—which would have been easier—he had laughingly asked Custance to sing and had mentioned a song—a little Irish ballad for which he cared nothing—telling himself that he was a lunatic to think he detected a faint note of disappointment in her acquiescence, or that she grew more silent as the evening wore on. Later, with his usual courteous consideration, he had advised her not to stand so near the open window; but he had allowed Nugent to wrap a shawl around her shoulders and had only held his breath for a second when he noticed how the man's hands lingered over their task and tried to touch the white chin.

After their guest had departed and Miss Madison had retired, he had kept his mother up for half an hour, giving her a brief outline of Thorn's story, and explaining a plan of his own to smooth over the difficulty.

Mrs. Standard had checked a sigh.

Certainly, she had said gently. Of course I will do anything I can to help the foolish young people. But I wish Custance had told me herself. I thought she would have confided in me, for I have grown so fond of her.

She has known you only a short time, mother, and I am afraid she has had good reason to regard the world with suspicion, poor child. I think it would be better not to tell her that we have discovered her secret. You can manage my plan without that, can't you?

Yes, dear. Only—poor pretty Custance! I wish I could see her face. Somehow it troubles me a little, as she seemed to me rather silent to-night, Godfrey. The blind are quick to discover, you know.

Nugent was here, mother. You forget that. Naturally she was constrained and upset.

Yes—one can judge better by her face. Is she very pretty, Godfrey?

Very pretty, he had answered, glad that his mother could not see his face to judge what the words cost him. She will make a beautiful mistress of the Hall, he had added calmly.

Yes; but I almost hoped—— Ah, well! Old folks have no right to weave romances. I am very fond of Custance, for she is a good girl. To-morrow I will try to do what you ask"—and Mrs. Standard, unconscious of the lines that his trouble was drawing across Godfrey's broad forehead, laid her beautiful thin hand caressingly on his thick hair.

Custance greeted the following morning with a slight renewal of hope. There are such possibilities in a new day. No one knowns what may happen. Even Godfrey's absorption in his pile of letters did not damp her spirits, until he announced, with a comical little smile, that he feared he should have to go up to town, for so many applications had been made that even Richards could not cope with them all.

Will you go to-day? Custance asked, in dismay. They were having breakfast alone, for Mrs. Standard never appeared until later.

Yes, he replied.

Oh! That was all, and the girl trusted that her feelings were not betrayed by that one word.

After the meal Godfrey disappeared into his study, and Custance roamed about restlessly until Mrs. Standard made her appearance. There would be no ride for her that day.

Ah, Custance, I want to say something to you! remarked the old lady kindly. I am going to make you a little present, my dear. Now you mustn't thank me or feel that you oughtn't to accept it, because it gives me great pleasure to give it to you, and I know that girls want pocket-money.

Mrs. Standard stooped and kissed her young companion graciously, putting into her hands a thin piece of paper—a cheque for fifty pounds.

Like a flash of lightning it occurred to Custance that this was the "other way" which Godfrey had said he should find to make her take the money. And she had been foolish enough to think that there might be a deeper, more tender meaning in his words! Well, he had succeeded, for she could not refuse his mother's generous gift.

Dear Mrs. Standard, she replied—it is more than kind of you, and, believe me, I am very grateful. But there is one thing I wish to ask you.

Well, my dear?

You do not mind what I do with the money? You will not ask how I spend it?

Why, of course not! It is your own—absolutely.

But the old lady gave a queer little smile. She could guess to what use the cheque would be devoted. Custance would buy her liberty and be able to marry the man she loved. Thus thinking, Mrs. Standard heaved a heavy sigh.

Custance's color rose a little as she thought of her next task. Godfrey was leaving for an indefinite time; it behoved her, then, to settle her business with him as soon as possible.

As she tapped at his study door a faint wild hope crossed her mind. Was it possible that Thorn Nugent was the cause of this subtle change? Had he poisoned Godfrey's mind against her as he had done so many others? But in that case Godfrey would not have remained so perfectly friendly, and would surely have declined to keep her longer as his mother's companion. No—it could not be Nugent's doing, Custance determined, with a sinking heart.

Come in! called Godfrey.

As she opened the door, Mr. Standard turned his head. It seemed to him that she brought the sunlight into the room with her, entangled in her bright hair, although her face was very pale, and her dark eyes surveyed him with perfect gravity.

No—I won't sit down, thank you, she answered, as he rose and offered her a chair. I shall only keep you a few minutes. Mr. Standard, your mother has given me a most generous present. Custance paused and laid the cheque down. As she has placed this money in my hands unconditionally and for my own use, I cannot but accept it. Now I should like, please, to use it to pay the debt between us.

If Custance had had any doubt as to the origin of the gift, it would have vanished at his calm acceptance of her proposal.

Very well, Miss Madison, returned Godfrey quietly. Shall I write you a receipt?

If you please.

And now, he remarked, with a smile, as he handed her the signed paper and placed the cheque in his pocket-book, I suppose you feel quite free and happy again?

Custance flushed a little, and her eyes grew ominously bright. How little he thought her capable of feeling a moral obligation if he considered that he had satisfactory arranged the matter by turoring his mother into giving her the money with which to pay him back!

He has tied my hands, and I cannot fight any more! reflected Custance bitterly. At least the matter is at an end between us, she said aloud coldly.

And you will feel at liberty to leave us whenever you please, and not bound to work out your time as if you were a convict?

Custance started and turned an amazed face to him.

Does that mean that you wish me to leave? she inquired almost inaudibly.

Oh, no—no! he exclaimed earnestly. I hope you will be my mother's companion as long as—as long as—until you wish to go to a home of your own. You understand that, don't you, Custance? he queried eagerly, taking her hands in his in his excitement. We are glad to have you until—until you wish to go, and then we would not keep you for the world.

As he spoke a look of puzzled distress crossed the girl's face. Naturally enough, she did not understand him—unless he were too kind-hearted to dismiss her and wanted her to offer to leave.

I suppose I understand you, she replied, in a low voice, and without further farewell she turned and left the room.

Half an hour later, as Custance stood arranging the flowers for the table in the dining-room, she heard the wheels of the carriage that drove him to the station; but she did not turn her head or betray the least sign of what she was feeling.

That night however, when she should have been in bed, she paced up and down the room, trying to walk down the restless misery within her.

Oh, it is too hard! she cried. Why should I care for him? But I do! I do! I never troubled about others who professed to love me, and yet now I am wretched because a man who never thinks of me wants me to leave his house. I must go, of course, but to whom shall I go? Mary Richards? Yes—I am sure she would take me in for a while.

Custance sat down to her writing-table and feverishly began to write, disguising little, and telling Mary all her reeent experiences—from the meeting with Thorn Nugent in the wood to Godfrey's strange hints about her departure. It was past three o'clock before, with a sigh of relief, she sealed and directed the envelope.

The arrival of that letter caused the recipient some disquietude. It came by the midday post, when John Richards was in town, so that his wife could not discuss it with him. She knitted her delicate brows over its perusal and half smiled once or twice; but there was an anxious look on her face when she laid it down.

Poor Custance! It is evident where her heart and inclinations lie. How disastrous—and yet it is just what might have been expected if we had only thought! Gratitude, in the first instance, and then the unusual kindness from a man like Godfrey Standard, were sufficient to make any girl lose her head. But the wonder to me is that he hasn't lost his.

Mrs. Richards again took up the letter and re-read a part of it.

H'm! Until the evening when this Thorn Nugent dined there Godfrey was more than kind in his manner, and never hinted at her leaving. What does more than kind mean, I wonder? I wish I had seen them together—I could have judged in an instant. But I cannot help thinking that the Nugent fiend is at the bottom of the mischief now. As this poor child says, what could he have said to change Godfrey without poisoning his mind? Anyhow, I don't like this last sentence—I am so tired of fighting against fate that it seems to me it would be better to give way and go to the man who wants me. At least some one would be satisfied then. That is just what Thorn Nugent calculated on, and just what mustn't happen. When was this written? The night before last. I hope she won't do anything precipitate before I can stop her. If I could only see Mr. Standard!

Mary sat thinking for a minute; then, with a little air of determination peculiar to her, she folded the letter and, depositing it in her pocket, went up-stairs and put on her bonnet. She left the precious baby in nurse's care, with solemn injunctions what was to be done with her should she wake, and then with unmoved resolution she set out for the headquarters of Godfrey Standard's philanthropic work.

When she arrived at the office it was four o'clock. The hall porter knew her and touched his hat smilingly.

Mr. Richards's room, madam? he said, more as an assertion than a question.

No, thank you, was the visitor's unexpected answer. Is Mr. Standard here?

Yes, madam.

Then I should like to see him.

Three minutes later she was ushered into the sanctum where Godfrey was ensconced. There was no one else in the room, and he rose to greet her at once with his pleasant smile.

Why, Mrs. Richards, I have not seen you for a long time! he exclaimed, shaking her hand heartily. Pray sit down! What can I do for you?

In spite of his cordial smile Mr. Standard looked ill and worried, as his visitor was quick to notice. Oddly enough, the fact afforded her gratification, although she had great respect and esteem for this young man who had played so noble a part towards her husband.

I hope it is Custance, who is the cause of it, she thought, and not business. But I shall find out directly.

Mr. Standard, I am come on rather a difficult errand, Mary began, in her pleasant quiet voice. But I have it so much at heart that I have ventured to consult you about it. My little friend, Custance Madison, whom you so kindly made your mother's companion——

Godfrey's pen dropped heedlessly on to the sheet of paper before him, leaving a great blot. He turned quickly, his face a shade whiter and more troubled than before.

It is Custance, the woman determined.

Miss Madison is quite well, Godfrey assured—or was a day or so ago.

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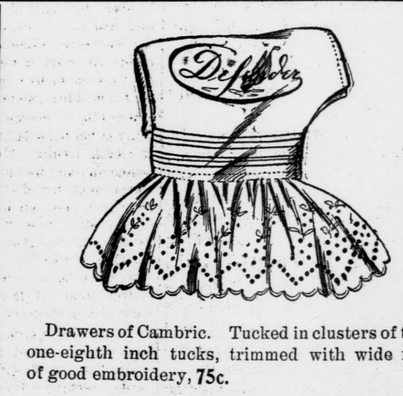

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Cambric Gown, Mother hubbard, v-neck yoke, four rows of hamburg insertion, hemstitched between clusters of fine tucks. Hamburg ruffles at neck and sleeves, 98c.

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High-Neck Cambric Gown, Fancy yoke of wide torchon lace insertion, hemstitched in between clusters of one-quarter inch tucks. Yoke outlined with lawn ruffle, lace edged. Continuing around neck. Sleeves trimmed to match, 98c.

Cambric Drawers. Trimmed with tucked lawn ruffle and handsome wide torchon lace, 49c.

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GRADED RURAL SCHOOLS

Public sentiment is growing in favor of a revision of our public school system that will result in the establishment of graded schools accessible to the children of distinctly rural districts. This is particularly so in the two lower counties where the need is more urgent. In this county with the several towns conveniently situated so that within a few miles of every family there is a graded school the necessity is not so plainly felt. But in Kent and Sussex there are numbers of districts with such a small scholarship that it is a serious matter to keep up a school. There are, for instance four contiguous, districts, one with three scholars, one with eight, a third with nineteen and the fourth but twenty four, a total for the four districts of fifty four, about the number assigned to a single room in the Middletown Schools. Under a graded rural school system these would furnish a nice school of two rooms and the expense of maintaining three schools would be saved. The money now paid to four teachers would reasonably compensate two more competent teachers. The expense of getting the children to and from school would be comparatively small.

Our present system has been practically unchanged since its adoption and is consequently antiquated. Other states have met the same situation and the graded rural school is the result of their experience. Massachusetts, Vermont and New Hampshire have it covering the entire state, and a majority of the counties of Ohio have adopted it. Under this system, hacks are started from various parts of the combined district and pick up the various pupils at their homes on a schedule, and deliver them to the school house. After the school is dismissed, the return journey is made. The expense is found to be small and is more than offset by the saving of time and of teams to the parents. There was opposition in the states named as there will be opposition in Delaware, but in practice it has proved such a success that no one would propose a return to the old system.

BLUFF

The manifesto issued by Mr. Addicks on Wednesday is interesting more as an example of the "nerve" of the man, than as an evidence of its political bearing. It has been said that if Mr. Addicks had been able to keep quiet, he could have been Senator long ago. But from the date of his now famous threat "to sink the Republican party ten thousand fathoms deep," it has been his misfortune, and to the consequent advantage of his opponents, that at the time when silence and discretion is required, he opens his mouth and emits some such nonsense as the present nonsense. No one is hurt, no one is scared, except Mr. Addicks.

No one knows better than Mr. Addicks that he has no possible chance of an election to the United State Senate, without at least seven or eight votes in New Castle County, even conceding him every doubtful district in the two lower counties. And no one knowns better than Mr. Addicks that with two tickets in this county he cannot possibly elect more than one Representative. It is possible that he has studied and conned the tables put together for use prior to the city election of last June, until he has come to believe there is some truth in them. As an example of the accuracy of that table, we would remind our readers, that the Union Republicans are credited with having cast one-half the vote which Hon. L. V. Aspril, Jr., received, when the vote for Mr. Byrne, the Union Republican candidate for Representative in Congress, was just 40, about six per cent of the total Republican vote. And it is well known that Mr. Aspril did not get the benefit of all the Byrne tickets.

Of course, there are no Regular Republicans who will claim that Mr. Addicks cannot defeat the Republican candidates for County and State offices, and thus turn over the reins of government to the Democrats, who have in the past demonstrated their inability to honestly and economically administer it. This would be the only outcome if such a plan were carried out. But we do not believe that this result will appear. We have some confidence yet in the leaders of the Union Republicans who are Mr. Addicks' lieutenants. They are not mad and they know the situation. To act in the manner that Mr. Addicks declares will be done, is to proclaim to the world that they are proud of the boast that the test of a Union Republican is his willingness "to vote for J. Edward Addicks for United States Senator first, last and all the time." These are his own words taken from his ultimatum. A noble sentment, indeed!

THE GOVERNORSHIP

We were somewhat surprised at the extent of the comment made upon the letter in our last issue in which the right of New Castle County to the Republican nomination for Governor was urged, and the names of a number of prominent members of that party suggested. As will appear in another column, Appoquinimink Hundred is a little jealous at being left out of the list, and Red Lion desires to add other and good names to its possible candidates. The *Every Evening* in an attempt to slur and belittle the list, used the phrase "job lot" and has been daily trying to explain. When it is remembered that many names mentioned are prominent business men of the city of Wilmington, and as such do more or less advertising, the reason for the "crawfishing of our esteemed contemporary is apparent.

The evident desire of the Republicans of this County to honor one of its citizens is shown by the interest aroused. The three letters that appear this week, but emphasize the numerous spoken words of commendation that have been received. Not every man can or cares to write for publication, but as we meet the Republicans (and the Democrats, too) we have been pleased to note the hearty support given to the movement.

STILL DEADLOCKED

The Democrats in the Maryland Legislature are apparently as far as ever away from a settlement of their Senatorial question. The balloting this week has shown no changes of moment. An effort was made on Tuesday to hold a caucus and come to a decision. But the fear of the Smith and Rayner supports that a secret ballot would furnish the Gorman Ring with the means to tamper with certain members, proved the stumbling block. The machine, on the other hand will not consent to an open vote in the caucus, and so it remains. The Rayner leaders profess more confidence in their ability to hold their own strength and to make inroads on the opposition, and now claim Rayner's undoubted election.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

The members of the book club are requested to meet at the home of Mr. James S. Hopper on Monday evening, February 1st, to make arrangements for the ensuing year.

Miss Lulu Boulden, daughter of Mr. Lambert Boulden, of Bohemia Manor, was married to Mr. Joseph Bouchelle, last Wednesday evening at 6 P. M., at Bethel parsonage by Rev. E. H. Collins. After the ceremony a supper was held at the home of her parents.

Miss Ella S. Boulden died very suddenly at her home last Saturday evening at eleven o'clock. Miss Boulden was feeling unusally well up until a few moments before her death. Two brothers and a sister are left to mourn her loss, namely Miss Annie Boulden, James A. Boulden of this town and Mr. Henry Boulden, of Cecilton. Her funeral took place place last Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from her late residence, interment being made at Bethel Cemetery.

The Young Married Peoples Euchre Club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Reese in Masonic Hall, on Wednesday evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Steele, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Manlove, Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Bouchelle, Misses Lillie Walford, Mary G. Steele, Lionne Beaston; Messrs. Eugene Paxson and Frank Howard. The prizes were won by Mrs. J. W. Clayton and Mr. F. B. Howard.

The Daughters of the Confederacy celebrated Lee's birthday on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Woolley. The following program was rendered: Instrumental duet, Misses Steele and Beaston; reading, Mrs. Byron N. Bouchelle; singing, "Maryland, My Maryland," by members of the Society; reading, Miss Lionne Beaston; piano solo, Miss Dora Steele; reading, Miss Florence Egee; vocal solo, Miss Bessie Conrey; singing, "Down in Dixie," by the Society. After which the guests were invited to the dining-room where refreshments were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bouchelle, Mr. and Mrs. Byron N. Bouchelle, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Woolley, Mrs. Bennett Steele, Mrs. Annie Egee, Mrs. Emma Willis, Mrs. Harry Monlove, Misses Margaret Smack, Annie Boulden, Dora Steele, Emma Morgan, Alice Boulden, Bessie Conrey, Nannie Hayes, Elsie Karsner, Florence Egee, Mary Steele, Hattie Morgan, Lionne Beaston, Edith Willis, Mary Walters, Katie McDonald, Messrs. Waitman Smithers, Thomas J. Murray, F. B. Howard and Dr. Delmar Smithers.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

[Communicated.]

EDITOR THE TRANSCRIPT:—You named many men for governor last Saturday. I could vote for any one of them and will do so cheerfully, no matter who is nominated. You were kind enough to name Mr. Scott, Mr. Theodore Clark and Dr. Ellison of this hundred. Why did you overlook John C. Higgins? To be sure he is in Dundee, Scotland, but we can bring him home. He is a voter here and would make an excellent governor. He was nominated in 1896 and should have been elected. You also forgot our friend at Port Penn. Mr. Henoy Cleaver would make an excellent governor. You do not have to confine yourself to Middletown or Odessa for a good man.

RED LION.

DELAWARE CITY, January 29th, 1904.

[Communicated.]

MR. EDITOR:—It looks like harmony and victory to see a list of good and available men in your paper for governor of Delaware. Your article of last Saturday has put heart into every Republican in Appoquinimink. It has put life into all of us, and consequently discouragement into every Democrat. The local Democrats have about given up the notion to run their Maryland saw mill for Levy Court.

You overlooked a man or two, however. We have a gentleman in this hundred who would grace the Executive chair. We refer to the Hon. Elias N. Moore, school commissioner of this county, and while we speak of him, what is the matter with Hon. Benjamin A. Groves of Marshallton, the other Republican school commissioner. Either of these gentlemen would make an excellent governor. REPUBLICAN.

TOWNSEND, January 27th, 1904.

[Communicated.]

MR. EDITOR:—It does not seem likely at this writing that New Castle County is to have the honor of furnishing the next Republican governor of Delaware. Indeed, it does not look as if Delaware would have a Republican for Governor after this year. It appears that Mr. Addicks has joined Mr. Bancroft in throwing contempt upon the men in this county from among whom sane and fair men would naturally select a governor. There is much in common between Addicks and Bancroft between the stupid *Sun* and the sordid *Every Evening*, both are two of a kind in politics and morals. They are conspicuously similar in that the support of either is fatal to any public proposition.

Your list of Republicans, offering a choice of candidate from this county for Governor on last Saturday, appealed both my party interest and to my party pride; nor has either been diminished, but on the contrary immensely increased by the Addicks-Bancroft attack upon it. Of course there will be "two tickets" and a Democrat will be elected. Nevertheless it is always amusing to speculate and to compare. Comparisons are said to be odious; and yet by comparison alone we make progress. Bancroft calls your list of Wilmingtonians a "job lot." Addicks does not even stop to characterize them. Bancroft explains that a "job lot" is a "cheap lot." Addicks never considers values. But for the sake of a little fun look at this comparative list:

Republicans

William Lawton, Samuel H. Baynard, Thomas H. Savery, Dr. E. G. Shortlidge, Dr. John P. Walles, Dr. J. Paul Lukens, Edmund Mitchell, Jr., William Simmons, Georpe S. Capelle, Horace W. Gause, William W. Lobdell, Alfred D. Warner, Herbert H. Ward, Henry C. Conrad, Frederick Pyle, J. Ernest Smith, Charles R. Jones, Preston Lea.

Democrats

John C. Fahey, Samuel Bancroft, Jr., David Lindsay, Barney McVey, Dr. Joseph P. Pyle, Dr. Willard Springer, John M. Solomon, Patrick Neary, John T. Dickey, Peter J. Ford, Alfred D. Poole, Owen Hession, Andrew C. Gray, J. Frank Ball, Harry J. Stoeckle, David T. Marvel, Thomas N. Stayton, Joseph L. Carpenter, Jr.

That is a fair comparison. No man can do better. The above is an honest effort to present the Democratic availibility in this city. Bancroft cannot make a better showing. The truth is that this is a Republican city. Nine out of ten men in business or prominence here are Republicans. There are no Democrats here of any importance or consequence, except among the lawyers and doctors. A Democratic manufacturer is a rare bird. When such a one is found, by the grace of Addicks they make a Water Commissioner out of him, by turning out of office the friend of Addicks. James P. Jones is impeached and David Lindsay takes his place—thanks to Addicks and Bancroft.

But there is one wide difference between the two lists. There is no man among the Republicans named who would soil his reputation and disgrace his state by inviting fraud at the elections. On the other hand there are four men in the Democratic list who were concerned in bringing to this city in November, 1900, a lot of Philadelphia repeaters, several of whom voted the Democratic ticket, using the names and registration of Republicans. Three of the Democratic list were actively guilty of hiring the repeaters and directing them while here. The fourth man learned of their presence, became cognizant of the guilt of his party associates, but refused to publish the facts. Thus he became a party to the crime after it was committed. Who are these four men? Let everybody guess. I may give their names a week later. They are not a "job lot." They are rascals of an exceptional sort.

WILMINGTON.

JANUARY 28th, 1904.

Personally-Conducted Tours to Washington D. C. and return via Baltimore and Ohio Railroad

A serious of three-day personally-conducted tours to Washington, D. C., will be run on the following dates:

February 4, and 18, March 3, and 23, April 7, and 21 and May 5. $9 for the round-trip including hotel and other expenses. Train leaves Chester at 3.24 P. M., Wilmington 3.40 P. M.

As these tour parties are limited to the available hotel accommodations and as reservations are made when tickets are purchased. Those intending to become members should register at once. For booklet and full information call on ticket agents or write to H. A Miller, T. P. A., Water and Market streets, Wilmington, Del.

. . Announcement . .

TO THE FRIENDS AND PATRONS OF THE DEVALINGER STORE:

ON account of the credit system used by the wholesale dealers of to-day I find it necessary to adopt a similar one for the governing of my credit trade. Therefore, on and after Saturday, January 16th, any person having an account with me will be required to make a settlement in full every thirty days. This term of credit is for the benefit of those persons who are employed by the month. Persons employed by the day or week will please make a complete payment once in every seven days. I feel positive that this system will prove most satisfactory to my customers and to myself. Of this I am certain, that it will enable me to sell the finest goods on the market at lower prices than were possible before. While we are speaking of prices we might as well mention a few.

Best washing soda, 3lb for 5c.
Pure leaf lard, 10c lb.
Best corn starch, 5c per pkg.
Our own make of mince-meat, 10c lb.
Our own brand guaranteed flour, 25c bag.
Three lb can tomatos for 10c.

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Are you tired of eating beef and pork? Then try some Cod or Halibut steaks fried in cracker dust. Great!

Respectfully,
H. C. DEVALINGER,
Middletown, Del.

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NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
St. Georges Hundred!

The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1903 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at the County Tax Collector's Office, Middletown, Del., South Broad street,

EVERY SATURDAY DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1904

from 9.30 A. M. to 3.30 o'clock P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

When remitting by check don't forget to add 5 per cent. to the face of the bill for non payment prior to Jan. 1st.

H. W. PHARO,
Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred

Dancing Classes!

You and your friends are invited to join the Dancing Classes being formed to be held at the Century Club Rooms, Middletown, Del.

ADULTS CLASS, FRIDAY EVENINGS from 8 to 10.

CHILDREN'S CLASS, FRIDAY Afternoons, from 5 to 6.

Special attention will be given to children in Fancy Dancing. For terms and further information.

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REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE.
New Castle County, Del., October 28, 1903.

Upon the application of Elizabeth Marim, Administratrix of Richard S Marim, late of Black bird Rd. in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administratrix aforesaid give notice of granting Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in The Middletown Transcript, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRED E BACH, Register of Wills.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the twenty-eighth day of Oct., A. D., 1903, and all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Administratrix, on or before the twenty-eighth day of Oct, 1904, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

ELIZABETH MARIM, Administratrix.
Address Martin B. Burris, Esq., Attorney-at-law, Middletown, Delaware.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE,
New Castle County, Del., November 20th, 1903.

Upon the application of Hannah R. Jones and James R. Hoffecker, Executors of Marcellus Jones, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Executors aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown Transcirt, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, In New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned on the twentieth day of November, A. D, 1903, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the said Executors on or before the twentieth day of November 1904, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

HANNAH R. JONES,
JAMES R. HOFFECKER,
Execors.
Address, Middletown, Delaware.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., Jan. 7 1904

Upon the application of Fanny Williams Executrix of Nathaniel K. Williams, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Executrix aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public place of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the 7th day of January, A. D 1904, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Executrix, on or before the 7th day of January, 1904, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

FANNY W ILLIAMS,
Executrix.
Address, Odessa, Delaware.

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NOTICE--DIVIDEND!

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK,
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE,
JANUARY 5th, 1904.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT clear of Taxes, payable to the Stockholders on and after January 15th, 1903.

JNO. S CROUCH, Cashier.

NOTICE--DIVIDEND!

NEW CASTLE COUNTY NATIONAL BANK,
ODESSA, DELAWARE,
JANUARY 6th, 1904.

The Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT clear of taxes and payable on and after the 13th inst.

JOS. L. GIBSON, Cashier.

NOTICE--DIVIDEND!

PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK,
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE,
DECEMBER 26th, 1903.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT. for the last six months, payable on and after Saturday, January 9th, 1904.

G. D. KELLEY, Cashier.

FEMALE WEAKNESS

542 1-2 Congress St.
PORTLAND, MAINE, Oct. 17, 1902.

I consider Wine of Cardui superior to any doctor's medicine I ever used and I know whereof I speak. I suffered for nine months with suppressed menstruation which completely prostrated me. Pains would shoot through my back and sides and I would have blinding headaches. My limbs would swell up and I would feel so weak I could not stand up. I naturally felt discouraged for I seemed to be beyond the help of physicians, but Wine of Cardui came as a God-send to me. I felt a change for the better within a week. After nineteen days treatment I menstruated without suffering the agonies I usually did and soon became regular and without pain. Wine of Cardui is simply wonderful and I wish that all suffering women knew of its good qualities.

Wilhelmina Sawyer
Treasurer, Portland Economic League

Periodical headaches tell of female weakness. Wine of Cardui cures permanently nineteen out of every twenty cases of irregular menses, bearing down pains or any female weakness. If you are discouraged and doctors have failed, that is the best reason in the world you should try Wine of Cardui now. Remember that headaches mean female weakness. Secure a $1.00 bottle of Wine of Cardui today.

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Do you want a high-grade Overcoat at a little price? This is your opportunity. We have cut prices on eight hundred coats, and they represent the very best of this season's make.

$35 Overcoats now $27.50—$30 Overcoats now $22.50—$25 Overcoats now $18—$20 Overcoats now $15—$18 Overcoats now $12—$15 Overcoats now $10—$12 Overcoats now $8.50.

You can choose from American Montagnacs, Imported Kerseys, dependable Friezes, Fancy Cheviots and Worsteds, Plain and Fur Beavers and Rough Overcoatings.

You can't pick out a poorly tailored coat in the lot. That's giving our tailors a pretty vigorous pat on the back, but they deserve it.

Men's Double-Breasted Storm Coats

This is an old-fashioned winter—and no doubt there's plenty of cold weather to come. The Oak Hall Ulsters are great storm defiers and save many a doctor's bill. $10, $12, $15, $18, $20.

Women's Suits Reduced

The new Spring Suits for Women are beginning to come in. This means that we put extra pressure on what winter Suits we have—the cut is exceedingly keen where the lots have gotten down to one and two suits. When you buy stylish, well-fitting Suits at such prices as these, they're worth snapping up.

Suits worth from $12 to $17.50 now $10—$18 to $25 now $15—$30 to $40 now $25.

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Trains Leave Middletown as Follows:

North Bound—3.30, 7.52, 9.20 and 10.27 a. m; 4.14 and 6.05 p. m.
South Bound—12.49, 5.31, 9.21 and 11.40 a. m; 3.36, 4.14 and 7 5:p. m.

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.30 a. m , 10.05 a.m., 3.50 p.m., 5.45 p. m. and 9 p. m.
Going South—8.10 a.m., 4.35 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—9.30 a. m., 11.40 a. m., 5.05 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Earlville and Sassafras—9.40 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., JAN. 30, 1904.

Local News.

Full line of Fresh Groceries at E. F. INGRAM'S.

Call and see our large stock of muslin underwear, all our own make.
MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

DR. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

A fine display of Ladies' Muslin Underwear, all our own make.
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FOR SALE.—One Soda Fountain complete, in good order. Address, Lock Box, No. 321.

FOR SALE.—White Iron Bedstead, with brass trimmings; also mattress for same. Apply at THIS OFFICE.

Until further notice the Middletown Public Library will be open on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons from 3.30 to 5, and Saturday evenings, from 7 to 8.30.

FOR RENT.—The dwelling now occupied by John Dawson, corner Broad and Lake streets. Possession given March 25th, 1904. Apply to MARIE T. LOCKWOOD, Warwick, Md.

FOR SALE.—The property of the late Marcellus Jones on South Broad street. For particulars apply to
J. R. HOFFECKER,
Middletown, Del.

You can save money in buying muslins, sheetings and table linens, made sheets, towels and napkins, at
MRS. G. W. PETERSON'S.

FOR RENT.—The dwelling on East Main street, adjoining the M. E. Parsonage. Possession given immediately or on March 25th. For further particulars apply at THIS OFFICE.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending January 21st: Miss Treasy Brown, James C. Maston, William Bush.

Read the new ad. of J. F. McWhorter & Son in another column. Rust Climax Condition Powders are highly recommended for stock and poultry. Guaranteed to cure or your money will be refunded.

SUBSCRIBERS TAKE NOTICE.—On the label of the paper you are receiving you will see the time to which your subscription has been paid. If you are indebted to us we shall very much appreciate a remittance. By referring to the label you have every opportunity of knowing how your account stands.

Next Monday evening the Christian Endeavor Society of Forest Presbyterian Church, will give a Social at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Stites. An interesting program has been arranged and light refreshments will be served. A silver offering will be taken at the door, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. George Foraker engineer at the Light and Water plant, met with a painful accident Thursday morning while cleaning a pulley at the plant. Mr. Foraker's arm was caught in the large belt and quickly hurled around the pulley, and on examination it was found that one of the small bones in the arm had been fractured, and the arm badly bruised. The fracture was reduced and at this writing the injured man is resting comfortably at his home on East Main street.

Professor E. L. Cross, principal of the Wilmington Conference Academy at Dover, has taken a decided stand against the smoking of cirgarettes by boys. He contended that a boy who smokes cigarettes was absolutely worth nothing as a student, and that he should not be given the room in the school he occupies. He claimed that the habit of cigarette smoking by boys was doing more than anything else to destroy the mental, moral and spiritual life. He emphasized the fact that no scholar at the Academy should remain as a student in that institution if he were found to be a victim of cigarette smoking.

The next entertainment of the "Star Course," under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society of Forest Presbyterian Church, will be on Tuesday evening, February 9th, and will be a concert by the Ariel Quartette of Boston. The favorable and almost national reputation gained by the Ariel Quartette, during seasons past renders an introduction unnecessary and their managers announce for the present season a program unsurpassed for excellence and variety. Among the new features offered are a Japanese song in costume. Reading with vocal accompaniment, and impersonations, which together with violin and vocal solos, readings, etc., will give pleasure to popular, as well as to entirely musical audiences. As the new heater has been put in at the Opera House there will be no further difficulty about heating.

Messrs. Brotman and Carr, shirt manufacturers of Philadelphia, were in town Tuesday and Wednesday looking through the shirt factory with the idea of purchasing the machinery and starting the plant in operation. These gentlemen are practical men in the shirt business and expressed themselves as being pleased with the factory, and if the machinery can be purchased at the right figure they will start the local plant at once. Miss Jennie Jones who was forelady during the time when Mr. F. H. Burgess operated the plant so successfully, made a canvass of the town during the past few days and has succeeded in securing about 30 hands who are willing to go to work immediately, and if the factory is started it will only be a short time before the new management will have at least 50 operators. If these gentlemen purchase and put the plant in operation they guarantee to pay the operators as much if not more wages for the same class of work than they received during Mr. Burgess' management of the plant, which will undoubtedly be perfectly satisfactory to all. Mr. S. M. Rosenberg has been in communication with the above named gentlemen for several weeks in reference to the local plant, and feels confident that his efforts have not been in vain, and whether the plant is started by them or not Mr. R. deserves much credit for the interest taken in an enterprise which means so much to the people of our town.

On the first page of this issue will be found the large ad. of our up-to-date merchant Mr. J. B. Messick. The special muslin sale is attracting much attention, and the prudent housewife will not miss this opportunity. See what he has to say in his ad.

A North Missouri editor asked: "Who is the happiest man, the man who possesses $100,000 or the man who has seven daughters?" Another Missouri editor promptly solved the problem in this way: "The man with the surplus girls, of course. The man with the money is not satisfied and wants more; the man with the seven daughters is satisfied—he has enough."

The local branch of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Bethesda M. E. Church held a largely attended meeting at the home of the President, Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd on West Main street last Saturday evening. Mrs. N. W. Bass, the national organizer of the society, who is traveling throughout the State, was present, and gave some interesting facts in regard to the work. Her remarks were instructive, and threw new light on the work. A most enjoyable evening was spent. Refreshments consisting of chicken salad, biscuits, coffee, ice cream and cake were served.

The "Musical and Measuring Tea," held by the ladies of the Primary Department of Bethesda M. E. Church last Friday evening was largely attended and a great success. The ladies who had charge of the affair discovered that the day selected for the "Tea" was also the fifteenth wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Wyatt, and Dr. Wyatt's mother who was visiting the parsonage would also reach the 64 mile stone in life's journey on the same date. When this information was made public the ladies decided to make the occasion a memorable one to all of the participants, and their efforts were not in vain. The good minister and his wife were presented with a handsome cut glass dish, and Mrs. Wyatt, the mother, with a potted calla lily and another choice plant, by Mr. W. Reese Parder in a few well chosen words, which were feelingly responded to by Dr. Wyatt. The "Measuring Tea" proved most enjoyable, causing much mirth at the expense of some, in regard to the pocket-book. An interesting program was well rendered, consisting of two piano duets, by Misses Lena Pleasanton and Nora Armstrong; vocal solos, by Misses Estella Suydam, Kathryn VanSant and Bessie Denney, and select readings by Misses Kathryn VanSant and May Kumpel. Mr. John Armstrong was present with his graphophone, and gave several selections, after which refreshments were served. The ladies netted $15.00, which will be used for the organ fund of the primary department. Many were disappointed, as they were unable to attend on account of the stormy night, and at the earnest solicitation of many, the social will be repeated at the home of Mrs. J. C. Parker, on South Broad street, on Tuesday evening, February 2d. Those who have received invitations will consider themselves invited for Tuesday evening next, as no other invitations will be sent out.

CHURCH NOTES

Preaching to-morrow, both morning and evening in Bethesda M. E. Church, by the pastor, Rev. C. T. Wyatt.

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "Christian Stewardship." Mal. 3:10; 1 Cor. 16:2. Leader, Mr. Thomas Pierce.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "Every Christian Called to be a Missionary." Luke 24:44-49. Leader, Miss Myrtle Houston.

The Rev. Henry Forman, of Agra, India, gave a very stimulating address on Foreign Missions on last Wednesday evening in the Forest Presbyterian Church. Everyone present felt increased interest and inspiration in the great cause of Missions.

JAMES GINN DEAD

Mr. James Ginn, one of the oldest and most widely known citizens of Blackbird Hundred, died about 12.25 P. M. Sunday in his 79th year, at his residence near "The Tent," about three and one-half miles from Blackbird. He had been ill for several weeks with an affection of the stomach. Mr. Ginn was an enterprising farmer and owned a large farm near "The Tent," over which he had full management until his recent illness. The late Mr. Ginn enjoyed the friendship of many persons in Thoroughfare Neck and Blackbird and was an influential member of Friendship M. E. Church. In politics he was a Democrat but never held office. He is survived by his wife and four children: Mr. James Ginn, of near Odessa; Mr. George Ginn, of the Levels; Mr. Walter Ginn, of Thoroughfare Neck, and Mrs. I. G. Webb, of Taylor's Bridge. The funeral took place Wednesday, meeting at the house at 11 A. M., and services were held in Townsend M. E. Church at 1 o'clock, Pastor Beauchamp officiating. Interment was made in Townsend Cemetery.

DEATH OF WILLIS LYNCH

After a protracted illness extending back for several months, Mr. Willis Lynch, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Lynch died at the home of his parents in Warwick, Md., Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, aged about 25 years. The deceased had resided in Warwick all his life, and was a great favorite with all. Consumption was the cause of his death. Deceased was a member of Sassafras Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., and the members of that organization will attend his funeral. At this writing the day and hour for the funeral have not been set.

TALK OF ANOTHER DOVER NEWSPAPER

A new Democratic newspaper for the state capital, which will undertake the work of uniting the Democratic factions and fighting Republicans and Addicks, instead of fighting Democrats, is being planned by Benjamin F. Simmons, Jr., proprietor of the old Kirk printing plant. Mr. Simmons and his associates think that both the leading Democratic papers of Dover are spending time which ought to be occupied in fighting Republican sin petty quarreling for supremacy of their own faction.

PERSONALITIES

Mr. John L. Byron is in Philadelphia.

Mr. Charles N. Dickerson spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Mr. Leon DeValinger was in Philadelphia over Sunday.

Mr. John Warren, of New Castle, spent Sunday with friends here.

Mr. Owen Chance, of Baltimore, Md., is the guest of relatives here.

Rev. C. T. Wyatt preached at Marydel Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Miss Eva Whitlock, of Philadelphia, was the guest of her parents over Sunday.

Rev. G. T. Alderson and son, of Lewes, are welcome guests at Bethesda Parsonage.

Mr. William Chance, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. DeValinger over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Beaston and little daughter were in Philadelphia several days this week.

Mrs. H. V. Parvis and daughter, Miss Grace, left on Wednesday for Wilmington and Lancaster, Pa., where they will spend the remainder of the winter.

BERRY--CONNER

The wedding of Miss Edith May Conner, youngest daughter of Mrs. Rachel Conner to Mr. William I. Berry, took place at the home of the bride's mother on West Cochran street on Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The house had been beautifully decorated for the occasion with potted plants and cut flowers, and presented a beautiful appearance. The ceremoney was performed by Rev. George W. Dawson, a former pastor of Bethel M. E. Church in the presence of a large circle of relatives and friends. The bride was attired in white silk, en train, with Irish point lace trimmings and veil, and carried bride's roses. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Addie Shahan, of Smyrna, and Miss Mattie Swain, of Philadelphia, as bridesmaids, who were attired in white chiffonette over blue silk, and carried pink carnations. The groom was attended by his cousin, Mr. Charles S. Ross, of Pittsburg, Pa., and Mr. Herman Conner, brother of the bride, of this town. Lohengrin's wedding march and Mendelssohn's recessional were skillfully rendered by Prof. Noble Hadley, of Wilmington. The northest corner of the front parlor was a beautiful bower of evergreens, while a handsome floral bell was suspended from an arch, under which the ceremony was performed. After the ceremony refreshments were served. The bride was the recipient of many handsome presents. Mr. and Mrs. Berry after a wedding trip will reside on a farm near town.

JOLLS--ADAMS

A quiet home wedding was solemnized at the Union M. E. Parsonage in Wilmington at five o'clock Thursday, when Miss Annie E. Adams, eldest daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Adams, was united in marriage to Mr. John A. Jolls, of this town. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Adams, father of the bride, in presence of the immediate families of the contracting parties. Immediately after the ceremony a dinner was served at the residence of the bride's parents. The bride was attired in a going-away gown of brown English broadcloth. Mr. and Mrs. Jolls left on the 8.01 train for Washington and points South, and will be at home in Middletown after February 3d. THE TRANSCRIPT extends congratulations.

SLACUM-CARTER

Miss Elizabeth Carter of this town was quietly married to Mr. Colonia Slacum, of Cambridge, Md., at the M. E. parsonage on Tuesday evening, by the Rev. C. T. Wyatt, D. D. The bride wore a dark blue traveling gown with hat to match. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom were driven to the railroad station where they took the 5.58 north bound train for a wedding tour, and on their return will reside in Cambridge, Md., where the groom is engaged in business.

NOTICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS

On account of the credit system used by the wholesale dealers of to-day we find it necessary to adopt a similar one for the governing of our credit trade. Therefore, on and after Saturday, January 23d, any person having an account with us will be required to make a settlement in full every thirty days. This term of credit is for the benefit of those persons who are employed by the day or week will please make a complete payment once in every seven days. We feel positive that this system will prove most satisfactory to our customers and to ourselves. Of this we are certain, that it will enable us to sell the finest goods on the market at lower prices than were possible before.
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JOHN ARMSTRONG, Agt.

NOTICE TO MY CUSTOMERS

On account of doing business with our wholesale people on cash terms, we feel compelled to do likewise in our retail business. We must therefore insist on weekly and monthly settlements of all accounts, beginning February 1st, 1904. Feeling confident that we can give our customers satisfaction in goods and prices, as special attention is given, in keeping our stock fresh and new,
I remain,
M. BANNING.
East Main Sreet.

Pensions Granted

Col. John Wainwright of Wilmington, has secured a pension for Mary W. Jones, widow of Charles W. Jones, eight dollars a month from June 11th, 1903. She resides in Middletown, Delaware. Mr. Jones served in the U. S, Marine Corps.

MIDDLETOWN SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

The Middletown Shooting Association held its 3d shoot for the Parker gun on the 28th inst. Mr. Duryea did terrible execution while several of the others tried to follow but were left trying. Dr. W. E. Barnard captured the Club Medal and also successfully renewed his claim on the gold challenge medal by defeating S. E. Massey by the score of 22 to 18. All were pleased by the operation of the trap as the targets were placed very near the line. Evidently the trapper has had a few days practice at pitching pennies. It is evident that target shooting is taking a brace. As several of the members are bringing out new rigs each time.

William B. Kates is coming!
But just wait!!
Golly!!!

Targets	1st 10	Gun Event 25	Silver Medal 15	Gold Challenge 25	Percentage
S. E. Massey	8	20	10	18	.74½
Barnard	9	16	13	22	.80
Steele	8	20	10		.76
J. A. P.	6	19	10		.70
Duryea	8	22	10		.80
Burris	6	16	10		.64
Ed. Massey	8	20	12		.80
H. Poole	5	17	5		.54
Kates	5	15	5		.92

The following table gives the percentage of the members of the gun club participating in the gun contest:

	1	2	3	Total
S. E. Massey	22	14	20	56
Steele	20	15	19	54
J. A. P.	20	15	19	54
Barnard	19	17	16	53
Burris	15	18	16	49
Duryea	14	13	22	49
F. Poole	12	18		30
H. Poole	17		17	34
Black	18			17
Kates	19	12	15	46
Pearson	16			16
Hukill	16			16
Ed. E. Massey	12	12	20	45

A MEMBER.

ODESSA

Mr. H. Vandegrift was a Philadelphia visitor Wednesday.

Mr. John Heldmeyer spent Sunday with his aunt in Smyrna.

Miss Catharine Whittock is the guest of friends in Barclay, Md.

Mr. M. Vinyard, of Warwick, visited Mr. Corbit Vinyard Wednesday.

Miss Georgie C. Enos, of Wilmington, spent a few days this week with her parents.

Miss Mary Townsend has returned from a very pleasant trip with friends in Wilmington.

Miss E. Lindsey Mailly entertained a few friends at her home on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Nellie Long, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Long.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kumpel, of Delanco, N. J., visited their parents here part of this week.

Miss M. Etta Rose, of Newark, was the guest of her sister, Miss Burdette Rose, last Friday and Saturday.

BOHEMIA MANOR

Miss Ethel Ellison spent part of this week in Chesapeake City.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Jones and daughter Mary Wilson, of Kennedyville, are the guest of Mrs. A. B. Berry.

Miss Eva Deane spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents in Elkton.

Miss Effie Berry is spending Saturday and Sunday in Philadelphia.

Mr. Howard has returned from Philadelphia, where he has been in the hospital for treatment of his arm, injured by the accidental discharge of his gun while hunting wild geese.

Mrs. James Vineyard, of Cecilton, entertained at dinner on Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Boulden, Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Boulden, Mr. and Mrs. William Boulden and family, and Mr. and Mrs. John Boulden and family.

Sales to Take Place

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2d, 1904—10 A. M., Public Sale of Stock, Farming Implements, etc., of Mrs. Margaret Ginn, in Thoroughfare Neck. Clifton Serverson, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 1904.—Public Sale of Stock, Farm Implements, &c., by Thomas Lattomus, on the farm known as the Collier Farm, near Dexter's Corner, 4½ miles South of Townsend.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23d, 1903.—Public Sale of Stock, farm implements, &c., by Edward Hart, on the "Parvis Farm," one mile northeast of Mount Pleasant. W. Harman Reynolds, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH, 1904.—Public sale of Stock, Farming Implements, &c., personal property late of George W. Lockwood, deceased.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3d, 1904.—Public Sale of stock, farm implements, &c., by Isaac Green, Jr., on the "Burgess Farm," on the road from Fennemore's Bridge to Norney's Corner. Joseph M. Armstrong, auctioneer.

BOOK OF THE ROYAL BLUE

The January Number, "Book of the Royal Blue," has started the year with a new feature. Each number during the ensuing year will contain two pages of the characteristic work of two of the most prominent American Press Humorists, and consequently, its readers may look forward to a variety of entertaining literature of this character in the future.

It is also the endeavor of the publishers to present some beautiful picture, on the line of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, each month as a frontispiece, with a descriptive poem of some well known author.

The articles on the World's Fair at St. Louis are the best detailed descriptions published. The February Number especially, will be devoted to the beauties of the exposition from an architectural standpoint.

A noticeable feature of the "Book of the Royal Blue" is that it stands alone among railroad publications in using its advertising pages exclusively to portray the merits of the Baltimore & Ohio System, and as much care is giving to these pages to make them interesting as is given to the other features of the book.

TOWNSEND

Joe Hutchison is sick with pneumonia.

Miss Pinder is visiting Mrs. Otho Marvel.

Miss Catherine Hutchison was in Clayton Tuesday.

Miss Bessie Phillips visited Wilmington Monday.

Mr. Daniel Jones was in Middletown Wednesday.

Mrs. Austin Hart spent Wednesday in Philadelphia.

Mr. Harvey Naylor was in Philadelphia Tuesday.

Mrs. William Dayett, of Clayton, spent Monday in town.

Mrs. Edward Hart visited J. Wilson in Smyrna, Tuesday.

Mrs. D. P. Hutchinson visited Middletown Wednesday.

Miss Mollie Lynam, of Middletown, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. Charles Larrimore, of Bristol, Pa., was in town Saturday.

Mrs. William Naylor was in Wilmington one day last week.

Clifford Reynolds visiting relatives in and near town this week.

Mrs. Higgins, of St. Michael, is visiting Mrs. E. H. Beauchamp.

Miss Ethel Dayett, of Clayton, was in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. William Naylor who lives near Odessa was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Richard Hodgson and daughter Beulah spent Tuesday in Smyrna.

Miss Ethel Lofland, of McDonough, visited Miss Mary Money this week.

Miss Pauline Hedinger, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with Mrs. William Grier.

Mrs. Mattie McCullen, of St. Georges, visited Mrs. Harry Deakyne this week.

Miss Rachel Bendler, of Summit Bridge, spent Sunday with Mrs. Emma Naylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Mort Ginn visited Mr. Thomas Lattomus and family on Wednesday.

Supt. A. R. Spaid, of Wilmington, visited the Townsend's public schools Wednesday.

Mr. Charles Burris and wife, of near Smyrna, were visitors in town on Wednesday.

Miss Jennie Giles, of Philadelphia, visited Mrs. Benjamin Edwards Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. Herbert McClay who lives near Middletown spent Sunday with his uncle Mr. Edward Phillips.

Mrs. John Ratledge and little daughter Louise, of Greenwood, is the guest of Mr. Nathaniel Ratledge and family.

Mr. J. C. Vandyke, express messenger on the Delaware R. R., is spending sometime with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Vandyke.

Mrs. I. P. Pritchard who was stricken with paralysis several weeks ago is improved and is able to rest in a reclining chair, and her son, W. C. Pritchard, who is a student of Jefferson Medical College, and has been kept at home by his mother's illness returned to his studies Monday.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD TOUR TO CALIFORNIA

A personally conducted tour to Southern California will leave Baltimore and Washington by special train from Harrisburg over the Pennsylvania Railroad, on February 11. The route of the tour will be via New Orleans, stopping at that point three days to witness the Mardi Gras festivities. The special train will be continued through to Los Angeles, from which point tourists will travel independently through California and on the return trip.

The special train in which the party will travel from New York to Los Angeles will be composed of high-grade Pullman equipment, and will be in charge of a Pennsylvania Railroad Tourist Agent.

The round-trip rate, $250, covers transportation and all expenses on the special train to Los Angeles, including a seat for the Mardi Gras Carnival. From Los Angeles tickets will cover transportation only, and will be good to return at any time within nine months, via any authorized trans-continental route, except via Portland for which an additional charge of $15.00 is made.

For complete details and further information, apply to Ticket Agents; H. Hasson, Jr., Passenger Agent Baltimore District, Baltimore and Calvert Streets, Baltimore, Md.; B. M. Newbold, Passenger Agent Southeastern District, Fifteenth and G. Streets, Washington, D. C., or George W. Boyd, General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia, Pa.

SASSAFRAS

We are pleased to state Mr. William H. Spry is very much improved.

Mrs. Fortner, of Kennedyville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Rosin.

Mrs. John F. Ernest visited her mother, Mrs. I. Gunkel, in Warwick, on Tuesday.

Mrs. Alexander T. Laws visited her sister in Philadelphia from Monday until Wednesday.

Mr. Robert Johnston who has been quite sick with the la grippe for the past several days is improving.

Mr. George Johnston, of near Blackston Station, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnston on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simmons celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary on Saturday evening at their home near town. The spacious home was a bower of loveliness, beautiful flowers bedecked the rooms everywhere. The predominent color was pink and white.

The death of Mr. George McGuire, of Wilson's Point, on Tuesday last was very sad. He had been ill for some weeks with pneumonia and was getting better when he took a relapse. Funeral services were held on Friday last; interment in the M. E. Cemetery, Galena, Rev. E. H. Creed officiating. He leaves a young wife and three small children.

Dr. Moore Entertains Women's Club

"Program of the Twentieth Century Club on January 22d: Piano solo, "Night Songs," (Schumad) Miss Bertha J. Price; lecture "Russiad," Rev. Francis H. Moore, D. D., of Middletown, Del. Dr. Moore took his audience with him for a delightful tour through St. Petersburg and Moscow. His many beautiful photographs added greatly to the pleasure of the afternoon.—*Smyrna Times.*

ST. GEORGES

Rev. J. R. Milligan is in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Edward Gam was in Wilmington on Wednesday.

Mrs. J. R. Milligan was a Wilmington visitor on Wednesday.

Harry Gross, of Mt. Pleasant, visited relatives here Monday.

Mrs. Claren Brinton has returned from a visit to Wilmington relatives.

Edward Sparks, of near Middletown, visited relatives here on Monday.

The Misses Clark entertained Robert Cann and wife, of Glasgow, on Monday.

Raymond Jamison, of Wilmington, was an over Sunday guest of his parents here.

J. H. Stewart and sister, Mrs. Catharine Smith, visited Wilmington on Monday.

Miss Annie Todd, of Kirkwood, is the guest of Mrs. John Crompton this week.

H. P. Stewart, of New York, spent part of last week with his father, J. H. Stewart.

Miss Maggie Cann, of Centreville, was the guest of Miss Blanche Jones on Sunday.

Mrs. Clark Thompson entertained her niece, Miss Anna Todd, of Kirkwood, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Vanheikle were guests of John Crompton and family on Thursday.

Miss Harriett Carrow is entertaining her cousin, Miss Bessie Webb, of Kennedyville, Md.

Miss Gertrude Swain, of Middletown, is spending several weeks with her parents near town.

Mrs. John Moore is paying a visit to her brother, Edward Sparks and family, near Middletown.

C. M. Riley is enjoying a visit with Gustave Candidus and wife at their home in New York City.

William Haman and family, of State Road, were visitors at the home of H. C. Buckson on Monday.

James Clark and wife, of Delaware City, spent Thursday with Mrs. Claren Brinton and family.

Miss Anna Moore and Richard Moore spent several days last week with relatives in Middletown.

Mrs. H. C. Gray and daughter spent Sunday with Mrs. Annie Deputy and family, near New Castle.

Miss Mary Roberts and Charles Lewis, of Middletown, spent Sunday with her parents, William Roberts and wife.

Dr. James Richardson, of Riverside, N. J., was the guest of J. W. Carrow, Jr., and family the early part of thi. week.

Rev. Dr. Cohen a missionary from Persia gave a most interesting lecture in the Presbyterian Church on Monday evening.

The Bible Class will have an everybody's meeting at the home of Mrs. A. N. Sutton on Monday evening. All welcome.

We are glad to state that F. Hildebrand who has been seriously ill has recovered sufficiently to enable him to get downstairs.

Miss Bessie Davidson and Messrs. C. C. Davidson, B. Simmons and R. Moore were entertained by J. W. Carrow, Jr., and family on Sunday.

The entertainment to be given in Odd Fellows' Hall by the young people this (Saturday) evening promises to be very good. Come and have a good laugh.

J. R. Crossland and family are entertaining their son, J. R. Crossland and wife, of Middletown, and their daughter, Mrs. C. R. Smith and son, of Tilghman, Md.

The members of the W. C. T. U., have arranged for a "Birthday Party" to be held in the C. C. Club House on Saturday evening, February 6th. A musical programme will be rendered. Refreshments will be served to all present.

A memorial service was held in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening in memory of their late member Mr. Daniel B. Stewart, whose death occurred on Monday of last week. The services were very impressive and the remarks of Dr. Milligan and Mr. Theodore F. Clark bore testimony to the christian character and earnest church worker as well as his loyalty to his friends. The choir rendered appropriate selections.

Protection Lodge, No. 20, A. O. U. W., of St. Georges, held a meeting on Monday evening and the following officers were installed: Master Workman, Samuel M. Haman; Foreman, J. B. McMullen; Overseer, Calab Cannon; Guide, Edgar Carrow; Financier, J. W. Carrow, Jr.; Receiver, John C. Stuckert; Recorder, A. N. Sutton; Inside watch, Herbert Cannon; Outside watch, George Swain; Medical examiner, Walter Cann; Trustee, S. M. Haman; Representative to Grand Lodge, William M. Cox. Brothers E. Kane and J. Taylor of Wilmington Lodge were present and installed the officers elected and gave an interesting address as to the present and future plans of the A. O. U. W., which was greatly appreciated. After closing the lodge all repaired to the audience room, where a delightful repast was served by the wives and daughters of the members.

CECILTON

Edward Mattox returned on Tuesday from Philadelphia.

Miss Lizzie Anderson entertained Miss Frances Griffith on Sunday.

J. D. Boulden is spending a few days with Thomas Price, near Townsend.

Mrs. William Brown has been spending the past week with relatives in Earleville.

Miss May Smith is spending sometime with her sister, Mrs. Joe Atwell, in Betterton.

Miss Minnie Messick has returned from spending the past week with friends at Wyoming.

Misses Mary and Florence Etherington have returned from visiting friends in Townsend.

Quite a number from here attended the anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Simmons near Sassafras.

Miss Maude Simmons, of Earleville, was the guest of Miss Hylie Boulden, on Saturday and Sunday.

Messrs. Lambert Manlove and Jay Price spent a few days of the past week with their cousin, Thomas Boulden.

The remains of William Thompson Weldon were brought here from up the county on Tuesday for interment in Cecilton Cemetery.

WARWICK

Mr. Perkins S. Staats is on the sick list.

Revival meetings have been in progress during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Custis Price spent Saturday in Middletown, Del.

We are extremely sorry to report Mrs. E. E. Marsh is critically ill.

Mrs. Gideon Clark was the guest of friends in town Wednesday.

Mr. J. Harry Holden has returned home after a short stay in Chester, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wilson have returned home after a two weeks' visit in Elk Neck.

Mrs. J. S. Merritt and daughter, Miss Bessie, of Galt, are the guests of Mrs. Elwood Williams.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A. will attend divine services Sunday morning, February 21st.

Thieves broke in the meat house of Mr. Urie P. Ginn one night last week and carried off a large portion of his meat.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A., cordially invite everyone to attend their festival and bazaar in February. See posters.

Mr. Halmen Bouchelle removed his family from the H. L. Simmons property to the property of Mr. W. J. B. Lofland last Tuesday.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Owing to the numerous requests of my friends I have decided to be a candidate for County Commissioner from St. Georges Hundred, and take this opportunity to inform my friends and the public, that I will greatly appreciate any favors shown me by them. I will use all honorable means to secure the nomination, and if successful promise the tax-payers of this district to do everything in my power in their behalf. Thanking you all for past favors, I remain,
Very truly yours,
THOMAS E. HURN.
Middletown, Del., Jan., 12th, 1904.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.

Wheat—No. 1	.90	Corn—	
No. 2	.88	Yellow, shelled	50
Timothy Seed $2.65		" cob	50
Clover Seed lb 10½c		Oats	50

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE.

Eggs, per doz	32@34
Country Butter, per lb	22@29
Creamery Butter, per lb	32
Lard, per lb	8@11
Live Chickens, per lb	12@15
Potatoes, per basket	40

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To make room for the new Spring Goods which are beginning to make their appearance we have marked our Ladies' Coats and Suits at such a reduction that they will not remain long. You might as well be one of the lucky ones to get a fine up-to-date suit at about the usual wholesale price.

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Housefurnishing Goods in the Basement

FOR SALE!

Second Growth Southern-grown SEED POTATOES:
Early Row—125 Bushels
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Polaris—125 "

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Houlten Early Rose—125 Bushels.
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J. E. HOLLAND,
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New Goods

Pure aluminum tea spoons light, strong. Will not rust or tarnish, the best for use 60 cents a dozen.

Table spoons of the same goods and make 60 cents for half a dozen.

Aluminum drinking cups 5 cents each, the biggest bargain ever offered in aluminum ware.

Wood chair seats, first class goods made of three layers of wood, venered with grains crosswise to prevent splitting, 5 cents each, all sizes.

Brass upholstery nails, best made, used for upholstering and the only nails suitable for chair seats. Small round steel nails with oval round brass head 5 cents a hundred.

Cups and saucers, excellent, smooth. white china, trimmed with gold, 12½c for cup and saucer.

We are going to have a full line of china ware in a week or two.

JOS. BERKMAN
EAST MAIN STREET,
MIDDLETOWN, - DEL.

New Home-made Bakery!

CARD TO THE PUBLIC!

I would respectfully inform the citizens of Middletown and vicinity that I have decided to open on Saturday next a strictly

HOME-MADE BAKERY,

And would ask a share of the public patronage. I will keep constantly on hand, or make to order, Bread, Maryland Biscuits, Pies and Custards of all kinds; Cakes, all kinds and flavors; Cookies, Doughnuts, in fact any and all kinds of nice things.

Special attention to Fruit Cakes for the coming Holidays.

Mince Pies of home-made Mince Meat. Chicken Salad made to order.

All orders promptly filled.

OYSTERS! Raw and served any style.

Also Crane's celebrated Ice Cream, all flavors by the gallon, quart, pint or single plate.

Mrs. William Taylor,
Cor. Main and Church Sts.,
Dr. Vallandigham's late residence,
Middletown, - Del.

Save Money

and get good Clothing by coming to our Clean Up Sale now. Men's Suits at $5, $6 and $7.50, worth double, all sizes, 33 to 44. A lot of size 33, 34 and 35 among them that will fit boys and young men 16 to 19 years old. Some Cutaway Coats and Vests for dress at $6 in small sizes, 33 to 36, left from $12.50 and $15 suits. Big Bargains in Shirts, 25 and 50 cents; in Underwear at 37½ and 50 cents a garment, and in Shoes at $2 and $2.50 that were $2.50, $3.50, $4 and $5. 10 per cent off Tailoring except the special $5 Trousers and $15 Suits.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, January 23d, 1904.

NO sooner is one anti-Roosevelt ghost laid than another pops up. This time it is "far out west," where certain business interests, alleged to be railroads, are spreading a "propaganda" of opposition to the President. The report is that after a meeting of railway officials in Chicago word has been passed along the lines. Probably this propaganda is a carnard, like most of the rest. As Senator Depew, of New York, who represents the Vanderbilt interests, denies all knowledge of opposition to the building of the Panama canal on the part of railway interests, so, too, he knows of no such opposition to President Roosevelt. The Republican editors of Missouri have sent a cheering message to the White House that they are a unit for the renomination of its occupant. The Republican members of Congress from Pennsylvania, say all the delegates from their state will vote at Chicago for President Roosevelt. Nebraska has sent word that she wants Mr. Roosevelt for President and John L. Webster for Vice President. On the 20th inst. the delegates to the National Board of Trade called upon the President. The Panama treaty is likely to be adopted without the amendments, as the President disapproves of them and wants the whole matter settled as soon as possible. He will select for one of the Canal Commissioners, Mr. Isham Randolph, chief engineer of the Chicago drainage board.

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A vigorous and powerful speech was made on the 20th inst. by Senator Platt of Conn., in defence of the President's action in Panama. He claimed that if war-ships and marines had not been sent to Panama when they were, to protect the lives of Americans from the threatened massacre by the soldiers of Colombia, the whole American people would have protested without a dissenting voice. He denied there had been any intervention or collusion on the part of the Government. He asserted that the President had the right, treaty or no treaty, to send even the army into Panama if its presence was needed, the same as American soldiers were sent to China to rescue the American legation at Pekin. The same afternoon Senator Morgan made an earnest speech in favor of his bill providing for the annexation of Panama and authorizing the President to pay a lump sum for the pacification of Colombia. Senator Hale concurs.

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The burial of another Congressman during the week recalls the existence of a crying evil in the matter of Congressional funerals, which both parties are responsible for and ought to combine to eradicate. Whenever a member dies the "etiquette" which Congress has established requires that a large committee of ten to twenty-five from both houses be appointed to escort the body home; that one or more Pullman sleepers shall be chartered by the government; that they shall be stocked with all sorts of food and drink and that the committee and their friends shall go for a week more or less upon the junket. These funerals cost from $5,000 to $25,000 each, The champagnes are of the rarest brand and the cigars furnished cost $.50 to $1 apiece and each with its aroma is enclosed in a separate vial. On many occasions some members of the committee have become so intoxicated as not to be able to attend the funeral. Can such a disgraceful custom be terminated too soon?

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A plan has been proposed in Congress for the employment of retired army officers. At present they are occupied, on full pay, as pall-bearers, guests at tears and card devotees at clubs. Congress will be requested to order 250 of them to recruiting stations, to services in connection with state militia, and upon courts martial and inquiry. This, if accomplished, will relieve an equal number of officers on the active list and permit them to attend strictly to military duties.

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Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, will arrive here to-day with the body of James Smithson, philanthropist, transferred from its resting place in Genoa, to the Smithspnian grounds in this city. Natural son of the Duke of Northumberland, and thus cut off from his aristocratic connections, he deliberately chose the life of scholar, philosopher, philanthropist. In the Revolutionary War he opposed his countrymen and sent a caustic letter to his cousin Percy who was suddenly missing from his command during the battle of Bunker Hill. Smithson gave half a million dollars to found the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, prophesying that the results of the gift would bring him the fame he coveted, "after the Northumberlands are forgotten." It is hoped that the scientist and scholar will not be given an unfamiliar seat on horseback, in the statue they are to erect on the Smithsonian Grounds in this city.

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The National Board of Trade, in session in Washington, asks Congress to discontinue the coinage of Silver dollars, and to direct the Treasury to exchange gold for them when presented; to provide for a merchant marine; to adopt the metric system; to provide for a parcels post; to reduce letter postage to one cent; and to protect the flag from being used for advertising purposes.

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During Senator Platt's speech in vindication of the President on the 21st inst., Miss Alice Roosevelt was an interested listener in the reserved gallery. She wore a costume of rich brown satin, demi-train; zouave jacket of the same with elbow sleeves from which fell to the wrist a very full puff of lace; white gloves. Her hat was of shirred crepe to match the dress with a very wide brim, the edge ornamented with a band of brown ostrich plumes. Cape and muff of white fox fur.

Personally-Conducted Tours to Washington D. C. and return via Baltimore and Ohio Railroad

A serious of three-day personally-conducted tours to Washington, D. C., will be run on the following dates; January 21, February 4, and 18, March 3, and 23, April 7, and 21 and May 5. $9 for the round-trip including hotel and other expenses. Train leaves Chester at 3.24 P. M., Wilmington 3.40 P. M.

As these tour parties are limited to the available hotel accommodations and as reservations are made when tickets are purchased. Those intending to become members should register at once. For booklet and full information call on ticket agents or write to H. A Miller, T. P. A., Water and Market streets, Wilmington, Del.

WOMAN'S NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 36th annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association will be held in National Rifless Armory Hall, Washington, D. C., February 11th to 17th inclusive.

A program of unusual interest has been prepared consisting of an evening with the National Officers, one with Philalthropists and one with Socioligists, when men and women foremost along these various lines of thought will be heard.

There will be an afternoon and evening devoted to Colorado speakers. Mrs. Ellis Merideth of Colorado, one of the cleverest newspaper women in the United States, will respond to a question box, when opportunity will be given to all persons to ask any questions they may desire concerning the operation of woman suffrage in Colorado.

Woman suffrage has been tried for ten years in Colorado and some of the state's most eminent citizens are coming to Washington to this convention to tell how it has worked.

Congressional hearings will be given women suffrage on the morning of the 16th.

On Monday afternoon at 2.30 there will be a reception to the delegates at the White House by President and Mrs. Roosevelt and at 4 o'clock on the same day the delegates will be received by Miss Clara Barton, at her own home. Miss Barton has a large collection of medals and flags which have been presented to her for her services by many nations which will make a visit to her home of special interest.

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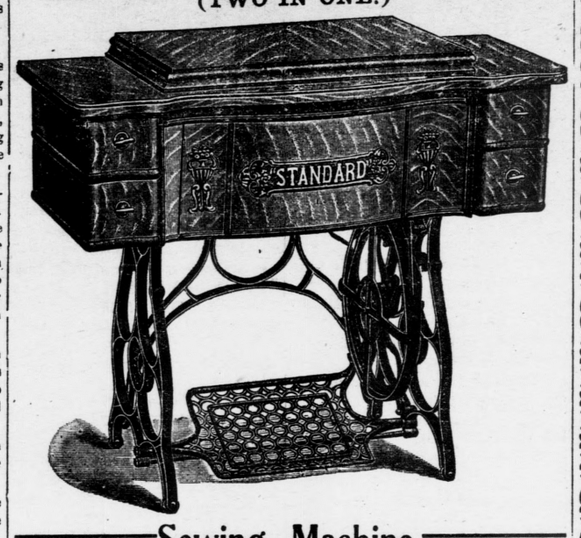

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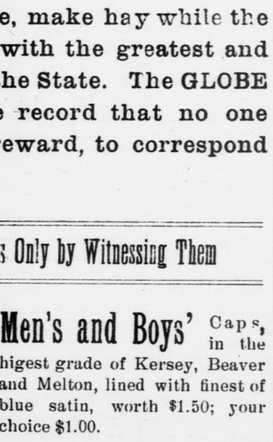

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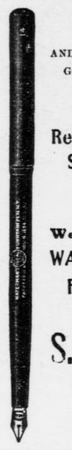

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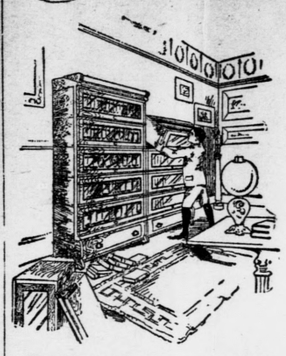

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